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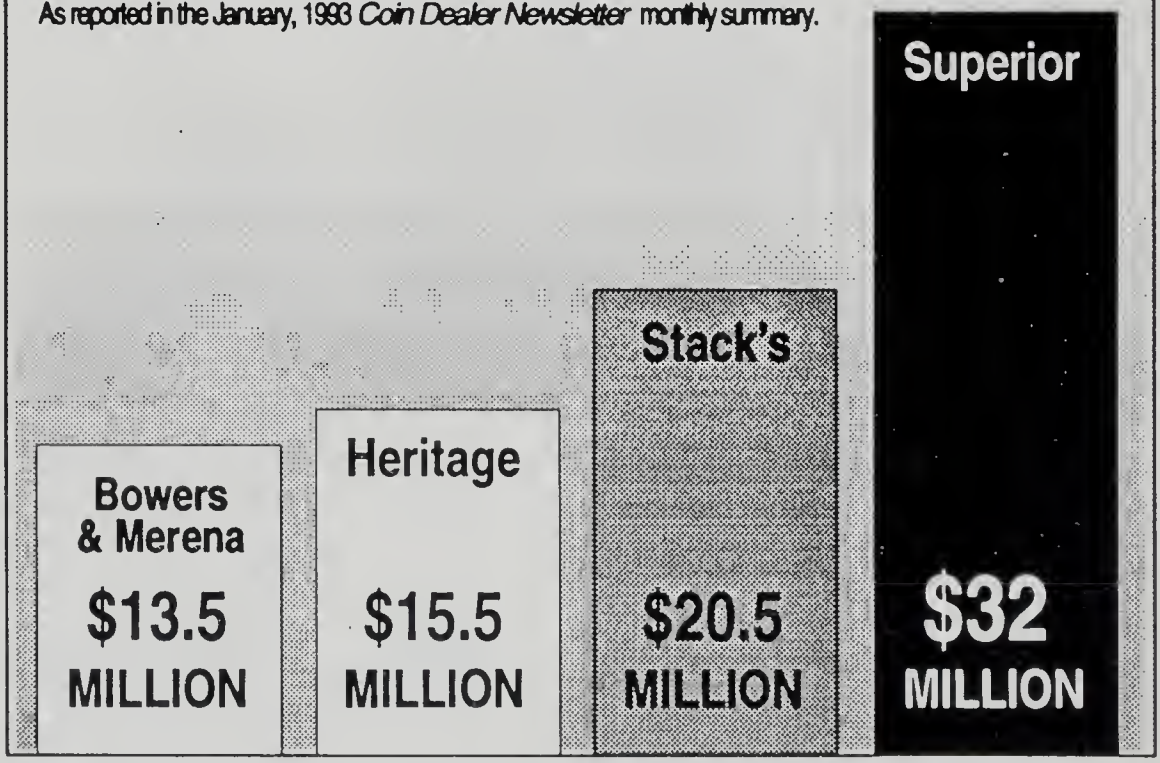

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HUGE SHOES TO FILL!

With this issue a new staff takes the reins of *Calcoin News*. Joining me as Editor are Publisher Jeff Shevlin, and Circulation Manager Marian Sinton. Al Lo continues as an Assistant Editor. Albert and Virginia Hall (previous Publisher and Editor, respectively) and Barbara Burke (Circulation) have stepped down from their posts. Bill Grant stayed on as Assistant Editor for this issue; Harold Katzman replaces Bill starting with the next issue. We owe those retiring a debt of gratitude for their dedication and hard work. They have made the transition nearly painless.

As Editor, my goal is to provide an informative and readable journal. In doing so, I am certain to introduce my own preferences and quirks. While there is no way to please everyone, I do welcome your comments and suggestions.

Much of what you find in this issue will be familiar--such as Tom Fitzgerald's "Through the Numismatic Glass" and Virginia Hall's "History of the CSNA Medallions." In addition, a new series makes its debut. Michael S. Turrini, author of 13 articles of original research on the Iowa Centennial half dollar published in the *Journal of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society*, has agreed to transfer the series to *Calcoin News*. Thus, Part 14 is contained herein. I hope you enjoy this ongoing series.

Now, on to the rest of the journal...

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Change --- our lives seem to be defined by it these days. The revolution in technology is alternately giving us new opportunities and new sources of stress. The movement to adopt a global economy, while praised by politicians, seems to most Americans to present an alarming trend toward working more and receiving less. The dizzying variety of entertainment forms has lessened the attractiveness of many passive amusements such as coin collecting. Change --- as the theme of my first quarterly address to you, the members, so too shall this be the overriding theme of my presidency. The nation has a new president who has taken office with an implied mandate for change. Whether this can be accomplished despite congressional intransigence remains to be seen. Although an election presented me no opportunity to debate or to develop a platform, my own observations of the CSNA in action have led me to commit much of my time during the past few months toward leading it into the 21st Century. Our association, as it approaches the year 2000, differs little from the CSNA of 1970, 1980 or 1990, except for some alarming developments. Among these are a declining and aging membership, a lackluster publicity campaign, an inadequate presence in the northern part of the state and a failure to take advantage of the technology now available. These are problems common to many numismatic organizations, both local and regional. In fact, until recently, even the American Numismatic Association was largely neglectful of the changes occurring within the hobby. The ANA has made a commitment to change, and those clubs wishing to remain viable will have to follow suit.

This criticism of the CSNA is certainly not intended as an indictment of the officers, board members or staff as individuals. Their dedication has sustained our association these many years, and it is only in the sense of their collective vision that a failure has occurred. It is human nature to feel comfortable with things as they are and to have reservations about change. We are all guilty of this to some extent. Being a relative newcomer to the governing body of the CSNA, as well as the first person of my generation to serve as its president, I feel a certain kinship with President Clinton. Although I anticipate having more success in achieving my goals than Mr. Clinton has had thus far, we share a common need in that neither of us can bring about improvements without the faith of the voters.

Change --- it has already occurred within the CSNA since you received the Spring issue of *Calcoin News* our quarterly journal has a new editor, Regan Shea of Pacifica; a

new publisher/printer, Jeff Shevlin of Citrus Heights; a new circulation manager, Marian Sinton of Redwood City; and an as-yet-unnamed new reporter from the South. Before there's any talk of impeachment, please let me assure you that these changes were not the result of a massive purge by the new president. Our retiring editor, Virginia Hall, underwent a recent surgery and has given up her position at the urging of her doctor (and perhaps her long-suffering husband, publisher Al Hall). This simply speeded up the retirement that they had already planned for next year. These two folks have done a wonderful job with our journal since 1975, and their departure comes not without some sadness. So too is circulation manager Barbara Burke leaving her post. Barbara is, in fact, leaving California for the quieter scene in Oregon, and this accounts for her transition. Finally, Bill Grant has decided to put down his pen after several years as our reporter "South of the Tehachapis." A special thanks goes out to these dedicated volunteers for contributing to the distinguished legacy of Calcoin News. Gratitude is expressed also to their replacements, who stepped in on relatively short notice. I encourage you to show them your support for this and subsequent issues. Another transition has occurred, this one without fanfare but every bit as significant to the operations of the CSNA. Jack Moore, that "jack" of all trades, has stepped down as manager of the association's membership and mailing lists. A pioneer in the use of computer databases for the managing of numismatic information, Jack has done more work without compensation than most of us will perform in thirty years at our paid jobs. Thanks, good buddy. Taking over his task is our other resident computer whiz, Stephen Huston. Steve's no stranger to the readers of Calcoin News being an accomplished writer and having served most recently as the CSNA's vice-president. Finally, one more turnover to report. Our convention medals coordinator for the past thirty years, Charles Colver, has stepped down and relinquished management of this program to Joyce Kuntz. Working with husband Lee, Joyce will be overseeing the storage and distribution of our semi-annual convention medals. I believe you'll find her style of operation somewhat different from Charlie's, and I ask for your cooperation in making this a smooth running program. Tom Fitzgerald now has sole management of the non-convention medals which are used for presentation purposes. This division of duties will make both jobs more tolerable. I know that you'll join me in extending a special thank you to Charlie for his many years of dedication to the CSNA medals program.

Change --- after all our years of living, working and loving are past, it all comes down to just one thing. Passing from this world is inevitable and we, as the only creatures who are burdened with this knowledge beforehand, are doubly saddened by the loss of friends and fellow members of the association. Cruelest of all was the abrupt killing of longtime CSNA member and former director Ronald Lee Miller. Yet a young man, with a wife and three school-age children, Ron was afforded no time to prepare for the end and say his good-byes. Perhaps more fortunate, though no less mourned, is John Lenker. A past-president of this club and many others, John was an outstanding figure in the hobby and will long be remembered for his colorful and unique exhibits of odd and primitive money. Finally, though not a member of the CSNA at the time of his death, Walter Breen was a fellow Californian and perhaps the greatest scholar of American numismatics in this century. Unmistakable amid even the largest crowd, Walter frequently attended our educational forums in search of additional knowledge, and he was also a featured speaker at the annual symposium. Three widely divergent figures, all of whom touched our lives.

Change --- it is occurring even as I write this, and there may be more to report in the next issue of *Calcoin News*. Determination, tempered we hope with good judgment, will make this organization even better than it is. Maintaining a keen appreciation of the future, without losing our reverence for the past, will ultimately see us through as we enter the new age.

Through the Numismatic Glass

Tom Fitzgerald
Staff Writer
CSNA R-2074

THE CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION'S EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM AND INVITATIONAL EXHIBIT

A TWENTY-FIVE YEAR HISTORY
PART TWO

FITZGERALD BECOMES CHAIRMAN IN 1986

For the fourth time, a new Chairman for the Educational Symposium was named in 1986. Due to Bryan Burke assuming the duties of Historian, Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald beeame director of Edueation for the CSNA and took over the responsibilities of the yearly event. The 18th Symposium witnessed another "first" as a video program replaced one of the speakers. "The Way It Was" featured President Emeritus of the CSNA, Ralph Mitchell who was interviewed by Bryan Burke. The video recounted faseinating stories of the early days in California eolleeting and was illustrated by examples of rare eoins and exonumia. Two large TV screens made it possible for the audience to view the video. Mr. Mitehell was present to answer questions from the audienee. (By the way, this video is available from the CSNA Audio-Visual Library for elubs to use at one of their meetings.) The Symposium was fortunate to gain the finaneial support of the Lewis M. Reagan Foundation beginning with the 18th forum. The 19th Symposium, held in Fullerton on March 21, 1987 ineluded a 2nd video; this one featuring Charles V. Kappen who was the President of the CSNA when the Symposia were started. Another "First" took plaee at this forum when William F. Spengler led a panel discussion of "The Do's and Don't's of Cleaning Ancient and Foreign Coins." Panel members were John Ballard and Harold Donald. The 20th Symposium, Mareh 19, 1988 may be best remembered for the "wild" frontiersman, Barry Jaeobs who jolted everyone present when he entered the quieted room dressed in deerskin and firing his long-barreled gun. The 21st event in 1989 presented another "first" as Don and Helen Carmody jointly presented a program ealled "The Selling of U.S. Commemorative Coins: 1892-1954." This was the only program given by a pair of speakers and the first to feature a husband and wife team.

Problems of financing the Symposium continued to mount as airplane fares and hotel expenses increased. The Lewis M. Reagan Foundation was dissolved and thus eliminated as a funding source. However, another regional Southern California Numismatic Organization, the Council of International Numismaties presented a grant to replaee the Reagan funds enabling the Symposium to seek outstanding national and international speakers and their support continues. The 24th forum in 1992 remained at the same location, but the name ehanged from Griswolds to the Day's Inn. A chronologieal list of the programs and a summary of the speakers for the first 24 Symposia follows. It eertainly is an imposing list of "Who's Who" of Numismaties representing Canada, Mexieo and the United States. Miguel Munoz, who appeared on the first event in 1969, has spoken at four Symposia. Adna Wilde, who also appeared at the first forum will make his fourth appearance at this year's silver anniversary event. Ken Bressett, Ed Fulwider, and Edward Rochette have spoken three times. Representing the Mints and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing have been Eva Adams, Mary T. Brooks, James A. Conlon, Ed Fulwider, Carol Mayer Marshall, Thomas H. Miller, Olga Widness and, at the 25th, Robert J. Leuver. Representing the

Numismatic Press have been Colin Bruce, Beth Deisher and Chester Krause. American Numismatic Association Presidents include Herbert Bergen, Virginia Culver, Rear Admiral O.H. Dodson, Kenneth Hallenbeck, George D. Hatie, Edward Rochette and Adna Wilde.

No event could last for 25 years without the support, assistance and cooperation of many people. We are most grateful first to you, who attend each year. There would be no Symposium without you! To the many organizations who make this event

The exhibitors added a valuable educational feature to the day. They were (left to right): Albert K. Hall, Virginia M. Hall, John E. Lenker, Kay Lenker, Thomas Fitzgerald, and G.A. Ayers.

financially possible; the governmental agencies, the ANA and the numismatic press who pay most of the expenses when one of their own come to the west coast and to our sister numismatic clubs, we thank you. To our many speakers and exhibitors who have shared their knowledge through their participation, we have been honored to have had you as presenters for the past 25 years. And to you committee members as well as others who have donated time and gifts, and to our "Patrons," we are deeply grateful.

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF SPEAKERS AND THEIR TOPICS

1. March 22, 1969
   - Major Sheldon Carroll (Canada) - "Building a National Numismatic Collection"
   - Adna G. Wilde Jr. - "Coinage of Siam"
   - Ralph Mitchell "Exonumia, A Numismatic Orphan Comes of Age"
   - Miguel L Munoz (Mexico) "Augustin Iturbide, the first Emperor of Mexico, 1821-23"
2. March 28, 1970
   - Norman W. Williams (Canada) - "Newfoundland Paper Currency--Public and Private"
   - Edward Rochette - "Mexican Religious Amulets"
   - Thomas W. Becker - "To Touch a Coin and Understand"
   - Clyde Hubbard (Mexico) "Numismatics of Mexico"
3. April 3, 1971
   - Virginia Culver - "Civil War Tokens"
   - Herbert M. Bergen - "Mint Mistakes, Old and New"
   - Eric P. Newman - "How Franklin Made Money More Plentiful"
   - Abe Kosoff - "Money Talks"
4. March 25, 1972
   - Byron Johnson - "An Essai Essay"
   - Ted N. Weissbuch - "Not Worth a Continental"

William H. McDonald (Canada) :Note Issues of Some Early Banks"
Rear Admiral O.H. Dodson - "Coinage -From Birth to Disappearance"
James A. Conlon - Vignettes of U.S. Currancy"

5. March 31, 1973
   Paul Siggers (Canada) - "The Bancos of Mexico"
   Kenneth Bressett - "Famous Fakes and Fakers"
   James Ford Clapp, Jr "Historical References On the Reverses of Roman Imperial Sestertii"
   Miguel Munoz (Mexico) "The Eagle On the Mexican Coins From Its Origin to 1973"
6. March 30, 1974
   Charles L. Ruby - "Fifty Years Along Coin Buy-Ways
   Arthur M. Fitts - "1066-The Year of Three Kings"
   Valentine Pasvolsky - "Indian Wars and Peace Medals"
   Bryan O Burke, Jr. - "San Francisco Mint"
7. March 8, 1975 (San Diego)
   Edward R. Rochette - "Join Me on a Tour of the A.N.A. Museum Galleries"
   Chester L. Krause - "Changing Times"
   Paul Whitnah - "A Chronological History of American Airlines and Their Related Exonumia"
   Jon N. Sutherland - "The Revival of Royal Images on Coins in the Middle Ages"
8. March 20, 1976
   George D. Hatie - "Women on Coins"
   Eric P. Newman - "Colonial Currency"
   Adna Wilde, Jr. - "Lesher Referendum Souvenir Medals"
   James R. Briggs - "Siege Notes of Khartoum"
9. March 12, 1977
   Eva Adams - "The Importance of Making Money"
   Herbert M. Bergen - "Numismatic Education"
   Charles G. Colver - "Hometown Banknotes"
   G. Lee Kuntz - "The Sinking of a Die"
10. March 18, 1978
    Mary T. Brooks - "A Change in Your Change"
    Ed Fulwider - "The Production of Proof Coins at the San Francisco Assay Office"
    William C. Henderson - "Checks Can Tell an Interesting Story"
    Abe Kosoff - "Fifty Years in Numismatics"
11. March 10, 1979
    James Charlton (Canada) - "Canadian Numismatics--Past, Present and Future"
    Ed Fleischmann - "ANACS Counterfeit Detection"
    Barbara R. Hyde - "Fine Art in Medallic Form"
    Miguel L. Munoz (Mexico) - "The Story Behind the Medal--Carlos IV"
12. March 15, 1980
    Nancy Stith Green - "A Look at the Bright Future of the ANA Library"
    Charles J. "Chuck" O'Donnell - "An Investigation into Modern United States Paper Money"
    William E. Metcalf - "The Exciting History of the Romans as Shown Through Their Medallions"
    Colin C. Narbeth (London) - "A Look at the Fascinating Numismatic Collectibles now Changing History"
13. March 14, 1981
    Dale Hewlett - "The Graphic History of the United States Half Dollar"
    Peter P. Gaspar - "What Can We Learn from the Inside of a Coin?"
    Richard S. Yeoman - "The History of the California Gold Rush as seen Through the 1848 "CAL" Quarter Eagle"

Larry E. Burgess - "Lincoln's Problems Financing the Civil War"

14. March 13, 1982
    Norman W. Williams (Canada) - "The Romance of Canadian Banks and Their Notes"
    N. Neil Harris - "The Unimiaginable Process of Publishing the 'Numismatist'"
    J. Allen Gilbert - "Spanish Cob Coins and Other Treasure Coins"
    Amon G. Carter, Jr. - "The Fascination of Collecting Paper Money Throughout the World"
15. March 12, 1983
    Byron F. Johnson - "Pre-Civil War Merchant Tokens: Genealogy and Numismatics"
    Colin R. Bruce - "Who Said that Foreign Alphabets are Troublesome?"
    Don S. Smyser - "Holding the Coins Held by Ancient Man: The Tribute Penny"
    Ed Fulwider - "The Full Story of How the "S" Mint Produces its Proofs"
16. March 17, 1984
    Thomas F. Fitzgerald - "The Fabulous Crowns Issued by the Papal State"
    Anthony Swiatek - "Consumer Protection for the Numismatist" and "What a Collector Needs to Know About U.S. Commemorative Coins"
    Osmyn Stout - "The Demise of the Great Yuan Rampant Inflation in China"
    Kenneth E. Bresett - "How Coins are Authenticated and Graded by the ANA"
17. March 16, 1985
    Beth Deisher - "The Excitement of Editing a Weekly Numismatic Publication"
    Ken Aring - "A Numismatist on the Trail of Marco Polo"
    Don T. Thrall - "Numismatic Paper Checks and Related Material"
    Gene Hessler - "An Illustrated History of United States Loans, 1775-1898"
18. March 15, 1986
    Douglas Ball - "The Confederate Currency Reform of 1862"
    Olga Widness - "The San Francisco Old Mint Museum"
    Adna Wilde, Jr. - "ANACS Certification Function"
    Ralph A. Mitchell - "The Way it Was" (video)
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    Ed Fulwider - "Eagles and More: Behind the Scenes at the San Francisco Mint"
    William F. Spengler - "The Do's and Don't's of Cleaning Ancient and Foreign Coins" (panel of John Ballard and Harold Donald)
    Kenneth Bressett - "Treasure of the Atocha"
    Charles V. Kappen - "California Numismatics (video)
20. March 19, 1988
    Richard Yeoman - "The Red Book"
    Miguel Munoz (Mexico) - "The Incredible Life of the 8R Mexican Peso"
    Barry Jacobs - "The Frontiersman"
    John Lenker - "Odd and Unusual Money"
21. March 11, 1989
    Lloyd E. Beauchaine - "The Coinage of Roman Egypt"
    Dr. George Fuld - "The Indian Peace Medal"
    Edward C. Rochette - "The Late Colonies of California"
    Helen and Don Carmody - "The Selling of U.S. Commemorative Coins: 1892-1954"
22. March 17, 1990
    Dr. Walter Ostromecki - "Signatures Change, But Currency Does Not"
    Robert Hoge - "Exchange Activities in Acquisition in the ANA Museum: International Partnerships Among Museums"
    Thomas H. Miller - "The Unites States Mint in San Francisco"
    Walter Breen - "The Answers to Your Questions on American Coins"
23. March 9, 1991
    Levin Messick - "Highlights of U.S. Philippino Territorial Currency"

Kenneth L. Hallenbeck - "Credit Card Collecting"
Chester L. Krause - "40 Years of Numismatic Publishing"
Albert K. Hall - "An Overview of the 1892-93 Columbian Exposition"

24. March 14, 1992
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Open Letter to all CSNA Members:

The Summer 1975 issue of Calcoin News was the first under my editorship and Al as publisher. The Spring 1993 was our last issue, completing 18 years. We have, at all times, tried to put out a magazine which would be a credit to CSNA.

At this time we would like to thank our hard working assistants through the years: Jerry Kroeger, Maxine Bryce (deceased), Lorelie Fulwider, Al Lo, Elizabeth Wisslead, Nona Moore, Barbara Burke, Dr. Shelby Wagner and William J. Grant.

Thanks also to all CSNA officers and board members for their cooperation, and the authors who contributed the fine articles which we have printed.

Due to doctors orders, we are turning Calcoin News over to the new editor, Regan Shea of Pacifica, Calif. We will be happy to assist him in any way we can, if necessary, to make the transition go smoothly.

We appreciate the opportunity for the privilege of doing something we enjoyed very much...being editor/publisher of Calcoin News.

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Who's Who in Cal-State Numismatics

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The new editor of *Calcoin News* specializes in collecting Liberty Head Nickels, as well as pursuing other coinage of the USA, Mexico, Canada, Ireland and Russia. These tastes were acquired during his almost 25 years of interest in coins. The seed was planted by Regan's father, Terry Shea, who purchased United States mint sets and proof sets during the late 1960s. As a member of the first generation to not experience the thrill of finding old silver coins from circulation, Regan had to turn elsewhere for his coin acquisitions. The frequenting of coin shows led to contacts which soon drew him into the coin club scene.

At the age of 32, Regan is now president of Millbrae's Liberty Numismatic Society. Called upon by this writer to assume editorship of *Calcoin News* following the retirement of Virginia Hall, he deliberated for only a short time before accepting the challenge. He brings with him an extensive academic education in the sciences. A native of Portland, Oregon, Regan was raised in Kansas City, Missouri. There he attended high school and graduated with a B.S. degree in chemistry from the University of Missouri, being named the American Institute of Chemistry's Outstanding Senior. He moved on to the University of Washington at Seattle, where he achieved his Masters degree and received a Ph.D. in 1987. While there, he was awarded an Achievement Rewards for College Scientists Scholarship. Before undertaking employment in the commercial sector, he spent a year as a post-doctoral fellow with the Department of Chemistry at the University of Alberta, Edmonton.

Currently employed by Gilead Sciences as Group Leader in oligonucleotide chemistry, Regan is a specialist in biochemical engineering. His previous employment was with the much publicized biotechnology research corporation, Genentech. Amid his many years of schooling, he took time out to marry Kathy, and they now have a six-year-old daughter, Natalie. As yet, the youngest Shea has not shown much interest in numismatics, but it's reasonably certain that the topic must come up around the dinner table, so there's still hope.

In addition to his duties for the CSNA and Liberty Numismatic Society Regan is also a member of the San Jose Coin Club and the San Francisco Coin Club. A recurring mix-up with the CSNA mailing list caused him to briefly be dropped from its membership roll, and this accounts for the recent listing of him as being "reinstated." This should probably have read "rediscovered!"

by David W. Lange

1946 IOWA STATEHOOD CENTENNIAL COMMEMORATIVE HALF DOLLAR

Part 14
'Collectors, Too, Buy The Coin: Amazing Even Surprising'

BY Michael S. Turrini, CSNA LM 30-2

Editor's note: For Part 13 in the Iowa half dollar series, see the *PCNS Journal*, October, 1992, Number 33, pp.6-12. Starting with Part 8 in the July, 1991 issue of the *Journal of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society* and continuing to this present article, Michael S. Turrini has conducted an examination into the elaborate "Iowa Plan" (as the Iowa Centennial Committee's own *Report of Activities* titled the 1946 Iowa Statehood Centennial commemorative half dollars' distribution and sales).

Dedication: This fourteenth article in this Iowa Half Dollar series is dedicated to Carl Fritze, dba C & C Stamps, a fellow philatelist and close and sincere friend to this author. Mr. Fritze is the supplier of all those 'old stamps' that the author uses on his mailings, including 'Iowa correspondence.'

With this article, time has arrived to conclude the mini-series 'Collectors, Too, Buy The Coin.' Notwithstanding much more could be penned on the "Iowa Plan" of distribution and sales, these seven articles clearly and concisely validated how labored and involved were the distribution and sales of the 1946 Iowa Statehood Centennial commemorative half dollar.[1]

The motive for this final article, finishing the mini-series, is to supplement the prior six articles with additional facts and anecdotes gleaned about the distribution and sales from both Ralph Evans' profuse files, so faithfully kept, and the still held records of the Iowa State Treasurer.[2]

The Iowa Centennial Committee was rightly proud and thrilled with the sales' success and profit earned. Its own *Report of Activities*, so often alluded to in this whole series, labeled the "coin sale" as "an amazing, even a surprising, demonstration of state pride,"[3] and further, "orders came from every state in the Union"[4] plus Canada.

The sales ended by April 1, 1947. The Iowa Centennial Committee held its final meeting sometime on or about the last day of March 1947;[5] this author has been unable to pinpoint the exact date. Shortly thereafter, within a day or so a terse news release was issued announcing the sales "halted." Refer to Figure 1. To note, Charles Barber's name was incorrectly spelled, and this clipping was not found in the copious Ralph Evans' files; rather, someone unknown in the State Treasurer's Office diligently clipped and saved it.

To complete the sales of all the half dollars, one lone half dollar still remained. As was reviewed in the previous article (*PCNS Journal*, October 1992, Number 33) then State Treasurer John M. Grimes' (1873-1971) significant May 6, 1947 letter to the Iowa Centennial Committee's Chairman Lester Milligan (1893-1977) accounted: "Coins On Hand-1; One Commemorative Half Dollar."[6] This lone half dollar was to be the last half dollar sold.

Found in the State Treasurer's files was a short penciled undated note, but evidently

IOWA PRESS
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Des Moines, Iowa

Morning Register
Des Moines, Iowa

Centennial Coin Sale Is Halted

Iowa's state centennial coins are all sold, except for the 1,000 being held back for posterity.

Charles Barbour, deputy state treasurer, reported Wednesday that all 99,000 coins placed on public sale in December have been disposed of and future orders will go unfilled.

The coins were sold at $2.50 each for Iowans and $3 for out-of-state residents. Five hundred were held back for sale in 1996, the year of Iowa's 150th statehood anniversary, and 500 more for 2046, when the state will be 200 years old.

FIGURE 1

written in early May 1947, from a John Langstraat, of Holland Home, in Sheldon, Iowa. Mr. Langstraat crudely wrote, on newsprint quality writing tablet paper, "Dear Sir, would [you] please send me a token of Iowa hundred years old free of charge please it will stay between you and me [sic]."[7] He gave his age as 76.

State Treasurer Grimes, for whatever reason, responded, and in a touching act of generosity, mailed him the lone remaining half dollar. Refer to Figure 2. Mr. Langstraat on May 12, 1947 replied with his gratitude, "i [sic] sure appreciate it."[8] Did Mr. Langstraat know one half dollar remained? Was he an old friend of Mr. Grimes who himself was also in his seventies (70's)? Or, was Mr. Langstraat just fortunate? Who knows? Whatever, he is in numismatics listed as the final 'purchaser' of an Iowa half dollar. At least, it reads a sentimental short narrative to the Iowa half dollar saga.

Others were not so lucky. Nearly two years later, on March 11, 1949, State Treasurer Grimes answered an inquiry rejoining that "the Iowa Commemorative Half Dollars were entirely distributed through this office within two months from the time they were offered and the only ones which are available at this time are those which may be secured from a coin dealer;" he recommends a "Mr. M.C. Sweney, 1841 Laurel Avenue, St. Paul" who "had some of the coins,"[9] as a potential coin dealer. Why Mr. Sweney and not an Iowa coin dealer? Who knows?

Was this inquiry from a coin hobbyist whose experience with commemorative coin issues of the 1920's and 1930's led him to believe that not all Iowa half dollars had been sold? Or, was it a legitimate request? The importance of this letter was that two years had lapse since the close of the half dollars' sale.

In as much we know who was the final inquiry and we know a Mr. Langstraat acquired the last Iowa half dollar, then who or what obtained the first one, id est, the

May 7, 1947

Mr. John Langstraat
Holland Home
Sheldon, Iowa

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of recent date. At the time your letter arrived there was just one coin left for sale, which you will find enclosed. It is a gift to you from this office. The regular price is being paid by the Treasurer and two deputies. There were never any coins set aside for gifts.

I hope you will enjoy and appreciate the coin. It is commemorative of one hundred years of the growth of the great State of Iowa.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

Treasurer of State

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FIGURE 2

actual first Iowa half dollar minted? Again, the voluminous files of Ralph Evans and the State Treasurer answer, but only partially.

From a March 1, 1948 letter, only a carbon-copy remained on file, Governor Robert D. Blue (1898-1989) instructed Ralph Evans that he, the Governor, would "like the Number One coin [Governor's capitalization] presented to the Iowa Historical Society in Des Moines."[10]

Because this 'Number One coin' and the related first fifty (50) Half dollars minted have not, as of yet, been accurately verified, their status and the existence of this 'Number One coin' remain uncertain. Did the Historical Society receive it? Yes; however, according to Jerome L. Thompson of the Historical Society's Museum, the Society received not one, but four (4), half dollars and that none of these were labeled nor numbered. The matter of these first fifty (50) half dollars minted, which would include this 'Number One coin,' has yet to be clarified.[11]

Returning to the sales and the closing weeks, what was most fascinating to this author were methodical daily tabulations compiled by Edith W. McElroy (1887-1975), Executive Secretary of the Iowa Centennial Committee. Why anyone would have saved these is a mystery at first; yet, having learned the devotion and intensity manifested by Ralph Evans, and shared by Mrs. McElroy, it is understandable. These computations held the same value as a golfer would post a below-par score card or one's first-ever paycheck stub. One of her letters, typical for her routine daily accounting, is given in

Figure 3. Note the comments expressed.

Albeit that the Byzantine distribution and fanatical control over the sales have been demonstrated, nowhere in all the files and records did anyone retain a listing of the individual purchasers. Of course, for a mintage of one hundred thousand (100,000) with ninety-nine thousand (99,000) planned to be sold, such a venture would have been tiresome and lubricious; but, from the clippings, carbon copies, and *Report of Activities*, some facts can be learned.

For example, Mrs. McElroy, ever so dedicated, noted in her February 24, 1947 letter

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State House
DES MOINES 19, IOWA

March 5, 1947

Dear Ralph:

Following is the coin report for March 4th and 5th. The great majority of these came today as Tuesday as usual was a very light day. The cards all went out and we are beginning to get returns on them, so at least they will pay for themselves!

March 4th and 5th

OUT OF STATE		IOWA	
Orders	Coins	Orders	Coins
80	223	20	40

One dealer's order came to my desk for ten coins. Otherwise all were apparently private individuals.

Cordially,

(signed) Edith

Orders Received March 7th

Out Of State		Iowa.	
Orders	Coins	Orders	Coins
80	223	20	40

(handwritten) Mr. Ralph Evans
90 Station W.O.C.
Davenport Iowa.

FIGURE 3

to Ralph Evans that she had mailed "a little publicity down to Philadelphia concerning the fact that Pennsylvania leads all states outside of Iowa in coin orders."[12]

In the broadcasted WHO 'Billboard' program of February 26, 1947, which was spoke of in the prior article, it was reported that "Pennsylvania leads the list of sales outside the Hawkeye State. New Jersey and California are close behind, in second and third places, respectively."[13] Referring to California, transplanted Iowans in southern California were known for their legendary organizations and festivities. In the *Report of Activities*, it was asserted that "members of Iowa Associations in a dozen states, nostalgic for the old home state, send group orders for large numbers of the coins."[14] There seems to have been no identification of these 'Iowa Associations.' Speaking of large orders, there have been only two confirmed one hundred (100) half dollar orders: Ralph Evans and Representative Karl LeCompte; refer to previous article. Most all orders were for a single coin or two, but some bulk orders were processed. Mrs. McElroy remarked in her ever-so punctual daily report to Ralph Evans dated February 20, 1947:

> We are getting in a nice little flow of orders from dealers in response to our letter. Most running from 10 to 60 coins. The majority are from 20 to 30. No criticism, but a little order. These orders which began coming in Monday, are swelling our orders this week, naturally. We may get some repeats on them, too.[15]

The notation of coin dealers is deliberate. Apparently, among some coin dealers, whether inside Iowa or outside Iowa is not distinguished, there were criticisms over the sales, most likely over restrictions on bulk orders. To date, no direct evidence has been ascertained to identify these coin dealers and their complaints. Regardless, these must have had an impact on Ralph Evans and the Iowa Centennial Committee for an open letter was written and mailed to "coin dealers." This letter and its background, although pertinent to the sales, will be postponed to another future article.[16]

Also applicable to this 'coin dealer' letter was the controversy between the Lawrence Brothers, Roy C. and Ray L., of Anamosa, Iowa and the State Treasurer plus the Iowa Centennial Committee. The Lawrence Brothers were coin and stamp dealers and hobby publishers, and they were determined to obtain two hundred fifty (250) or more half dollars. Since these Lawrence Brothers, who captioned themselves "native Iowans and life-long Republicans" and the 'coin dealer' letter are intertwined, these together will be the subject of a future article. It is sufficient to note here that these two brothers were quite insistent, threatening the Republican State Treasurer by voting Democratic![17]

These Lawrence Brothers and any coin dealers were only an irritation. The Committee had one objective: to sell out and earn the maximum profit.

Based on a total of ninety-eight thousand nine hundred twenty-two (98,922) half dollars sold, the gross total profit earned was $253,565.00. Exactly, eighty-six thousand four hundred two (86,402) Halves were sold at $2.50 each, and twelve thousand five hundred twenty (12,520) Halves were sold at $3.00 each. Excluding Mr. Langstraat's half dollar, one thousand seventy-seven (1,077) half dollars were not sold. A full tabulation of these figures and the mintage will be done in another article.[18]

The expenses were accounted in State Treasurer Grimes aforementioned May 6, 1947 letter and were:[19]

Cost Of Coins	$50,000.00
Coin Holders	11.25
Coin Holders	29.00
Coin Holders	69.00
Shipping Boxes	6.30
Shipping Boxes	10.20
Express	1.84
Express	9.70
Express	27.60
Expense In Coin Campaign, Iowa Bankers Association	296.13
Expense--Iowa-Des Moines National Bank	294.22
Expense--Central National Bank	485.14
Expense--Bankers Trust Company	38.31
Postage--Treasurer's Office	2,207.70
Expense--Centennial Committee	2,505.00
Total	$55,991.39

On January 5, 1949, over two years later, Governor Blue, acting under the authority of HR 2377, the half dollar's legislation, would formally direct and transfer the profits plus the renowned one thousand (1,000) half dollars (refer to *PCNS Journal*, October 1989, number 21) to "the custody" of the still active Iowa Centennial Memorial Foundation. Closing this mini-series, the most elegant words expressed at the end of the many months toiled in the distribution and sales were written by Frank Warner (1888-1982) the revered Executive Secretary of the Iowa Bankers Association (IBA), and his testimony best finishes this 'Collectors, Too, Buy The Coin.' In his May 4, 1947 letter to Mrs. McElroy, he flattered, "You should have nothing but feelings of great gratification and satisfaction on having consummated the project in such a magnificent and superb manner."[20]

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FOOTNOTES

1. Readers are welcomed to reread and to review the past six articles starting with *PCNS Journal*, July 1991, Number 28. For convenience, footnotes have been limited to direct quotations and major aspects.
2. If it had not been for both these sources, Ralph Evans' files, kept at the University of Iowa, Iowa City and the State Treasurer's files in Des Moines, very little of this whole entire series would have been possible. In a subsequent article, additional facts and details will supplement this mini-series.
3. Edith W. McElroy, Executive Secretary, *Report of Activities* of the Iowa Centennial Committee, p. 15.
4. Ibid., p. 16. In 1947, there still remained only forty-eight (48) States, and nothing is recorded for Hawaii and Alaska.
5. The final meeting may have been held on March 31, 1947 when the a Joint Session of Iowa's State Legislature honored the whole Committee.
6. State Treasurer John M. Grimes, letter of May 6, 1947 to Lester Milligan. Only a carbon-copy, not the original, was located.
7. Septuagenarian John Langstraat, undated note to State Treasurer Grimes. Mr. Langstraat did not use punctuation.
8. John Langstraat, note of May 6, 1947 to State Treasurer Grimes. Mr. Langsstraat

apparently disapproved also of capitalization and sentences.

9. State John M. Grimes, letter of March 11, 1947 to a George Manlove, who owned a funeral home in Crane, Missouri, writing his letter on its stationery.
10. Governor Robert D. Blue, letter of March 1, 1948 to Ralph Evans, written nearly a year after the sales' conclusion.
11. Briefly, the first fifty (50) Halves minted were handled separately and shipped directly to the State Treasurer. Their status and existence is a perplexing mystery, a topic of a future article.
12. Edith W. McElroy, letter of February 24, 1947 to Ralph Evans. Mrs. McElroy coordinated the Centennial Committee's promotion.
13. WHO 'Billboard' program, February 26, 1947.
14. McElroy, Report of Activities, loc. cit.
15. Edith W. McElroy, letter of February 20, 1947 to Ralph Evans. Special deals, discounts, or service were never intended for nor provided to coin dealers.
16. Why this letter was done and to whom is an intriguing issue, one which has puzzled this author. It would be most provocative to learn, if ever possible, what coin dealers complained. In another article, this author will attempt some explanation.
17. The Lawrence Brothers controversy was just as much serious as it was ludicrous. The Brothers even menacing to vote for the recently deceased "FDR!"
18. To clarify, three thousand eight hundred eighty-four (3,844) half dollars "not distributed by banks" were returned to and later sold by the State Treasurer at $3.00 each.
19. The expenses were itemized as shown, but the United States Mint did invoice $525.00 for "die charges". Where was it included?
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THE 92nd CSNA CONVENTION AND 4th ANNUAL GOLDEN STATE COIN SHOW

by Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, Chairman
Photos by Philip A. Iversen

CSNA, along with the Numismatic Association of Southern California (NASC), the Council of International Numismatists (COIN), and the Society of International Numismatists (SIN) conducted the 4th Annual Golden State Coin Show on May 28-29 at the Los Angeles Airport Marina Hotel. Nearly 800 people enjoyed the many interesting facets of the show, including 22 numismatic exhibits, a U.S. Mint display and sales area, and a bourse full of coin and currency dealers. No doubt the recent dramatic gains posted by gold and silver prices contributed to the excitement of the event.

The Airport Marina Hotel was also the site of the 63rd convention in 1978

Olga Widness stands in front of the U.S. Mint Booth

A luncheon kicked off the CSNA's slate of happenings on Friday. Awanda Ayers hosted as the Curator of the Old San Francisco Mint Museum, Olga Widness, gave a talk about current affairs at both the Mint and Museum. On Saturday morning, the CSNA board met prior to the general membership meeting. The board discussed progress of the new *Calcoin News* team, the status of the convention and presentation medals, committee vacancies, declining membership, and prospects for a Fall or Winter convention in the North, among other things.

CSNA President David Lange, left, presents Virginia Hall with a plaque in appreciation for service as editor of Calcoin News

Dorothy Baber displays her newly received CSNA Medal of Merit

Ethel Lenhert (with the help of husband Marlin) hosted the banquet in a room festooned with red, white, and blue balloons and tables decorated with flowers surrounded by American

flags. The room was a colorful rendering of the theme "America the Beautiful." Following the meal the exhibitor awards were presented. Other awards included the NASC Goodson Award to Harold Katzman and the SIN Medal of Merit to both Gene Hessler (for Research and Writing) and to Robert Hochman (for Dedicated Service to the Society). CSNA President David W. Lange presented the Medal of Merit to Dorothy Baber. Also announced at the banquet were the recipients of the latest Numismatic Ambassador Awards: Claire and Ben Abelson.

Ethel Lenhert, winner of the "Best of Show" Award

Charles Colver, left, presents the Numismatic Ambassador Award to Claire and Ben Abelson

EXHIBIT AWARDS

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1st -- David W. Lange, U.S. Type Coin Collection

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1st -- Donald Collins, The Antoniniaus
2nd -- Lloyd Beauchaine, The Games That Nero Played
3rd -- Vic Kozek, Making of a Cover Coin from the Selenis Hoard

Modern Foreign -- Sponsor Mary and Charles Colver
1st -- Kay Lenker, The Wildman on Coins
2nd -- Vic Kozek, The French Revolution
3rd -- Lloyd Niesley, Mexico: 1000 to 1

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Best of Show and Best Exonumia
Ethel Lenhert, Honoring the 250th Anniversary of Jefferson's Birth

THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY CSNA EDUCATIONAL SYMPOSIUM AND INVITATIONAL

by Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, Chairman

The California State Numismatic Association sponsored its 25th consecutive Educational Symposium and Invitational Exhibits at Day's Inn Hotel in Fullerton on Saturday, March 20, 1993. Four speakers representing a diversity of interesting topics came from throughout the United States and Mexico to make this event a most memorable one indeed. A capacity crowd, estimated at more than 150 numismatists included a full bus load from San Diego (they've been coming since 1973), enjoyed the day's celebration. And a "celebration" it was. Fifteen past speakers were present and introduced.

A large crowd of inquisitive numismatists was in attendance

Mrs. Jean Gould, widow of Symposium Founder Maury Gould wrote a letter expressing her regrets in being unable to attend. She said, "I am sorry I will not be able to attend...but want to wish you a most memorable Silver Anniversary." Ken Bressett, a past speaker wrote, "You have been pioneers in the field of numismatic education, and have built an enviable record of putting on extraordinary seminars. The rest of the hobby should look to you as a model of what can and should be done throughout the entire nation." ANA Past President Rear Admiral O.H. Dodson, another past speaker wrote, "I deeply regret that a conflicting engagement prevents my being with you on March 20."

The Symposium Committee of Dr. Tom Fitzgerald, Chairman, Elizabeth and Bill Wisslead, Charles Colver, Bill and Freddie Grant, Al and Ginny Hall, Kay Lenker and Phil Iversen. had been working for a year to plan the 25th Symposium. Over one hundred individuals, clubs and numismatic dealers chose to become patrons providing the financial support necessary. Special CSNA medals designed by Phil Iversen were given to all patrons and to all in attendance. Ten juniors were the guests of the NASC for the luncheon, attended by a record number 71 folks. A special birthday cake was served to those attending the noon feast. All the juniors received gifts of coins and books thanks to the generosity of the Covina Coin Club, Coin World and Dr. Walter Ostromeckl Jr., President of the NASC and a past speaker. Phil Iversen, President of SIN, Kay Lenker, President of COIN, David W. Lange, President of the CSNA and William Grant, President of CES were also in attendance. But the honor of the one to travel the greatest

Juniors receiving gifts

distance certainly was claimed by Joy Parish who came across the country from Kentucky to attend.

The first speaker, Robert J. Leuver, Executive Director of the ANA presented "Modern Counterfeiting of US Currency: Could It Destroy Our Economy?" Adna G. Wilde, who spoke at three previous symposia including the very first one 25 years ago talked about "Counterstamped Stone Mountain Half Dollars." Following lunch, Beth Deisher, Editor of Coin World reported on "Coin World: Reporting the Hobby for 33 years." The fourth speaker was Clyde Hubbard from Mexico with a talk entitled "Mexico Mint Coinage Techniques - 18th Century." The Day concluded with the usual Speaker's Roundtable moderated by Charles Colver.

Robert Leuver, Adna Wilde, Beth Deisher, Clyde Hubbard

Exhibits included a four-case display of Mr. Wilde's Stone Mountain Half Dollars, a display of Mexican Coinage by Al Hall, a First-Edition of Coin World by Phil Iversen and 25 years of Symposium memorabilia including programs from each of the forums displayed by William Wisslead.

Following the Symposium, speaker Robert J. Leuver wrote, "Thank you and the club for allowing me to talk. It was a great experience, and a rewarding one." Clyde Hubbard's letter said, "Thank you again for giving me the opportunity to spread the gospel about Mexican numismatics. You had an excellent responsive audience." Adna Wilde wrote, "Joan and I enjoyed our visit to Fullerton, and having the opportunity to see our many friends at the CSNA Symposium. Thank you very much for your invitation for me to speak at the twenty-fifth gathering."

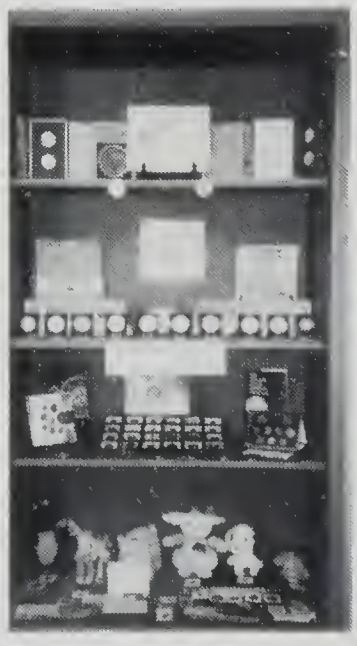
In the April 19th issue of Coin World, Beth Deisher wrote:

> California collectors have proven the value of education and the enduring attraction of the idea now for 25 years. The California State Numismatic Association's Educational Symposium and Invitational Exhibit has become an institution in and of itself and a must attend on many collectors' calendars.
>
> We salute the current CSNA leaders and all those who have played a role in staging the educational symposiums through the years because they represent one of the very best aspects of the hobby -- sharing information with each other and with others outside their immediate circles. Theirs is a special sharing because the knowledge is dispensed, not for monetary gain, but to help quench our insatiable thirst or desire to know more about the items currently or once used as money.

Dr. Fitzgerald and his committee are busy planning the 26th Annual CSNA Symposium scheduled for March, 1994.

NATIONAL COIN WEEK 1993

Members of three coin clubs responded to CSNA President David W. Lange's call for reports on National Coin Week Activities. Chula Vista Coin Club members provided a display at the Norman Senior Center. The display included medals of local interest, U.S. currency, and foreign crowns and minors. CVCC's youngest member, Marissa Vaughan, age 11, combined her collection of stuffed animals with her coins featuring matching animals.



Chula Vista Coin Club display

The San Bernardino County Coin Club displayed Lindberg memorabilia and provided information on both National Coin Week and local coin clubs in their exhibit at the Norton Air Force Base Library.

Representatives of the Seal Beach Leisure World Coin Club paid a visit to the McAuliffe Middle School in Los Alamitos on April 12. Member Jules Feingold gave a short lecture on coin collecting to each of 19 classes of sixth graders. Then members Richard Precker, Grace Keene, Maurice Hecht, Emanuel Coster, Orlen Steele, Henry Glunz, and James Trinaystich displayed favorite coins and answered the questions of the 516 enthusiastic students. Each student also received a coin and a brochure on coin collecting.

These activities earned the clubs and members listed a special CSNA certificate from President Lange.

SELECTED NEW LITERATURE

CSNA MEMBER HEISTAND AUTHORS NEW BOOK

"Long Term Planning and Investment Strategy for UNITED STATES RARE COINS" is a new book by Warren Heistand, CSNA R-4844. This 143 page book has 15 chapters of approaches "for accumulating a personally satisfying and, hopefully, a valuable Rare Coin Collection using techniques, strategies and tactics employed by Business and Corporate America."

Mr. Heistand has been Secretary of the Long Beach Coin Club since 1988 and has published several articles in *The Numismatist*. His book may obtained by sending $9.00 ($9.74 with tax in California) to W. Heistand, P.O. Box 15856, Long Beach, CA 90815.

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'93 WORLD SILVER SURVEY RELEASED

The Silver Institute, a worldwide association of miners, refiners, fabricators and manufacturers has released its *World Silver Survey 1993*. Among the findings of the survey is that 1992 was the third straight year in which the silver market has been in a net deficit position. The shortfall was 88.6 million ounces for the year. Among the reasons for the deficit was the more than doubling of silver consumption in Thailand, South Korea, Taiwan and Hong Kong to 53.7 million ounces. Production cutbacks were seen in key silver-producing countries such as Peru and Canada.

Jeffrey Christian, Managing Director of CPM Group, and author of the report said, "The silver deficit could widen to 143.2 million ounces in 1993." Aside from the rising demand in several regions, Mexico's reintroduction of silver in circulating coinage is another promising new market for silver. The Mexican government began using silver in 10 Peso coins late last year, and 20 Peso coins containing silver were introduced in early 1993.

The report is available for purchase by the public for $30.00 within the U.S. from The Silver Institute, 1112 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Suite 240, Washington, D.C. 20036.

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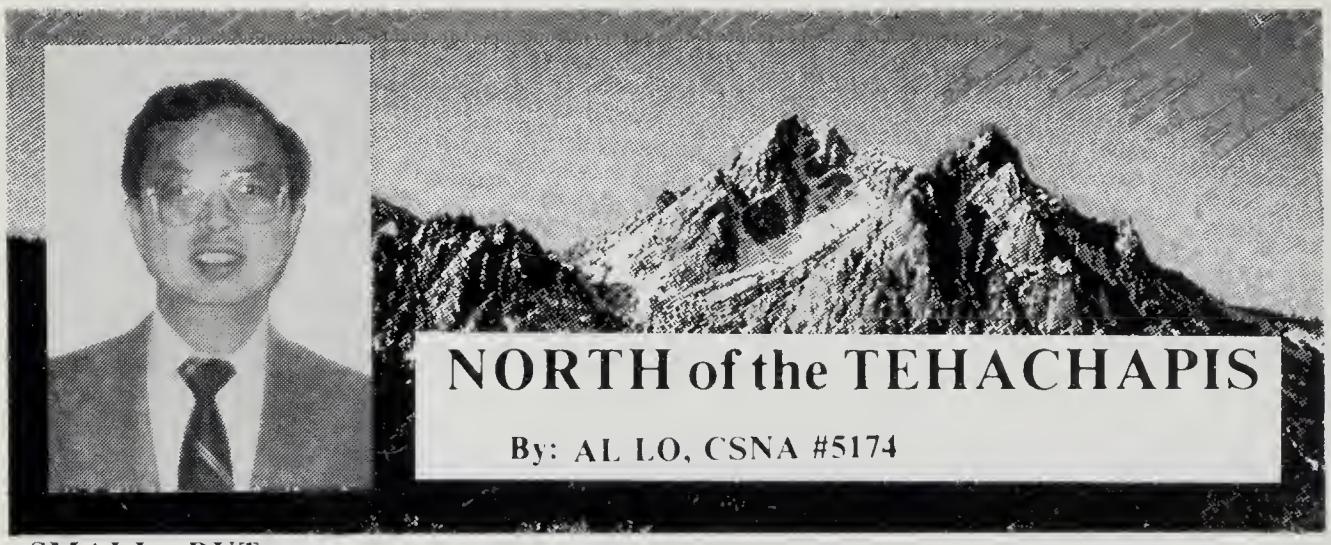


NORTH of the TEHACHAPIS

By: AL LO, CSNA #5174

SMALL BUT...

The *Alameda Coin Club* meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at CitiCorp Savings meeting room, 1526 Webster Street, Alameda, CA. Meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. and visitors are ALWAYS WELCOME.

This club is small but active with many members participating in an active Show & Tell program. Treasurer WIL SPIERSCH happily reported that the club's treasury is healthy. Plans are underway for its annual joint coin show with the San Francisco Coin Club. Date for the show is August 29th.

HOW TO HAVE a SUCCESSFUL SHOW...

Cupertino Coin Club's 1992 officers are PHIL SOLOMON, President; NATHAN MILLER, Youth Vice-President; JEAN PRITCHETT, Corresponding Secretary; and RON ISHIZAKI, Treasurer. At January's meeting, noted author DAVE LANGE spoke on "Buffalo Nickel: The Coin and The Book" and gave his numismatic experiences as a child and explained how he got started writing the book. In February, GARY ACQUISTAPACE shared his secrets during his "How to Make a Prize Winning Exhibit" talk.

A successful coin show was held in February as good weather, a good crowd, a good new location and a spacious room combined to make Everyone happy. Exhibitors at the show were: Best of Show RAY ERKSON Award to AL LO, First awards to GARY ACQUISTAPACE and KEVIN MALOY, and Second Awards to JEFF SHEVLIN and CHUCK WHITE.

LET'S READ ! !

The *Vallejo Numismatic Society* has a newly framed and mounted Charter of the Society. Member STAN TURRINI displayed the charter and summarized some of the early history and founding of the Society at the January meeting. At the February meeting, HANS HANSSON gave a humorous talk on "Cents" and in March DAVID LANGE, respected numismatic author and scholar, gave an excellent speech on "Buffalo Nickels."

The Society has an extensive numismatic library which thanks to Librarian CRAIG BLACKWOOD, a roster of references and books has at long-last been compiled. Members are free to check-out books which this gives members an inexpensive method of reading valuable as well as out-of-print material. All clubs should follow VNS's example.

LOCATION, LOCATION LOCATION...

The *Redwood Empire Coin Club's* new meeting location at the Coddingtown Community Center, IIOOB Coddingtown, Santa Rosa has been good for the club as there has been renewed participation from members, new and old, reports the club's secretary, GUY SHAPPY. New officers have also been installed: President TIM HULDERMAN, Vice-President DON HOLMSLEY, and Secretary GUY SHAPPY.

Youth advisor LEE GONG continues to report renewed interest and expanding youth membership and attendance. Youth members participated in National Coin Week in April by manning an informational booth at G & G Market. Free coin literature and coin magazine subscriptions were passed out and a coin display was set up.

TEN'S A CROWD...

Solano Silver Round Club (SSRC) is a small but active club. *Silver Notes* Editor JAN HENKE wrote in the March issue that the nine members and one guest at the February seemed like a crowd compared to most meetings. Show & Tell is an activity in which most attendees participate and many interesting and unusual silver rounds are displayed. Anyone interested in attending a meeting should write to the Solano Silver Round Club, P. O. Box 3518, Fairfield, CA.

IT WAS SUCCESSFUL...

San Jose Coin Club held a successful annual show in January and there was a good variety of exhibits. JEFF SHEVLIN won the Best of Show Award for his Morgan dollar reverses. First Awards were given to PHIL IVERSON (Indians on U.S. Coins) and CHUCK WHITE (The Olympics) and a Second Award was won by GARY ACQUISTAPACE (The Eisenhower Dollar).

Speakers at the past months meetings included RON MILLER, "Coin Collecting in the Bay Area, Present and Future" in February, DON BARSI in January, and DEAN ALFRED, "Early American Coppers" in March.

MICHAEL FOOLED THEM...

The *San Francisco Coin Club* members thought they were going to hear about Alaska or Hawaii when MICHAEL TURRINI's talk entitled "49th State" was announced. Instead he told them about the possibility that Newfoundland could have become one of the United States. VP GORDON DONNELL enlightened the club with his "Collecting Elongated Coins" talk at the March meeting and in April, DAVID LANGE gave an update to his "Buffalo Nickels" program.

DO WE NEED ANOTHER SILVER DOLLAR???

The *Sacramento Valley Coin Club* (SVCC) continues to have an interesting monthly educational program and educational items in its newsletter. BOB DE CESARIS' informative 2 part article, "So Exactly When Did Those Huge Silver Dollars Ever Circulate??" was spell-binding. I kept waiting for the answer and after two months, I found that the answer was almost NEVER. I did learn a lot about the history of silver dollars, 1792 to 1964. 1964? If you want to know about that one, you'll have to read the article!

Educational programs were given by BOB BANDY, "Mexican Coins of the Nineteenth Century" and "Hard Times Tokens" by BOB DE CESARIS.

NEW FEATURES...

Peninsula Coin Club's newsletter added something new by including a book review of "Confessions of a Numismatic Fanatic: How to Get the Most out of Coin Collecting" by Frank A. Robinson. The review and the book were interesting. Another interesting addition was an article about Edward C. Elmore, the Confederacy's first and only Treasurer.

RICH DOUGLAS is this years winning artist whose design of the centennial of the Palo Alto Times (newspaper) was chosen for the club's annual show medal. The show will be held on November 14th.

HOLTZMAN IS HONORED AGAIN!!!

Congratulations to PAUL HOLTZMAN of the *Pacific Coast Numismatic Society* for his selection as a Krause Publications Numismatic Ambassador during the CSNA's semi-annual convention in San Jose in January.

Speakers at PCNS have treated members to world-wide expeditions via "Ships on Coins, Tokens, and Medals" by DAVE CIENIEWICZ, "Patterns Coins of Liberia" by HERB MILES, and "Hawaiiana" by RICK WEBSTER. Show & Tell exhibits also are a colorful variety with more than a dozen exhibitors at each meeting.

SHOULD WE USE STEEL WOOL???

The *Livermore Valley Coin Club* members were warned, "Don't even **think** of cleaning **any** coin you own until you know how to do it right!". HOWARD KOSANKE then told them how in his talk entitled, "Cleaning and Preserving Your Coins." Now everyone knows! (Do you use a **soft** wire brush???). Other less controversial topics have been KEN BARR's "A Numismatic Potpourri" and DAVE LANGE's "Buffalo Nickels."

25 YEARS AGO...

Liberty Numismatic Society's President REGAN SHEA was happy to accept the large bronze medal for LNS's 25 year membership in CSNA at the 91st state convention banquet at San Jose in January.

Also deserving accolades are January's speaker JIM ROSEN who spoke on "Learning to live With and Enjoy Your Coin Press" and DAVE CIENIEWICZ for his slide show and talk on "Ships and Boats on Coins and Medals" at the March meeting. "Medals Night" in February honored AL LO for his 1992 Alcatraz club medal. A lead die trial and a set of off-metal strikes were presented. An engraved bronze uniface medal was given to runner-up DAVE LANGE.

IT'S A GREAT IDEA!!!

The *Gateway Coin Club* recycles coin newspapers and magazines by using them for advertising the location and time of its meetings. This information is stamped on the newspaper/magazine and the literature is left in the waiting rooms of doctors, barber shops, repair shops, etc. This sounds like a GREAT way to advertise and inform potential club members or numismatists.

Recent educational programs have been a numismatic triathlon, a slide show on Russian Copper Coinage, a talk on "Merced County Tokens" by JOHN HOFMANN and a "Money From Hell?" talk by JOEL ANDERSON. Acting Newsletter Editor ANDERSON also noted in the March newsletter, "If you discovered the errors in the Newsletter, you should be Editor." Now why didn't I THINK of that???

DID HE PLAY CHOPSTICKS???

The *Fresno Numismatic Society* members not only were treated to an interesting talk on Barber coinage but also were entertained with piano solos featuring music that was popular during Barber's day. This knowledgeable and talented club member was none other than VP BRIAN LENTELL. BILL HEWLETT and BILLY FEBRUARY combined to present the ANA slide program on Paper Currency in February and BILLY joined with MIKE BUASANO for an interesting program on Fractional Currency the following month.

IT STARTED LIKE THIS....

Fremont Coin Club has a new President and Vice-President due to RON MILLER's murder. VINCE LACARIERE is the new President and IRIS ATKINSON is Vice-President. The March 9th meeting was very interesting as members told of "How I got started collecting coins." Many members found that finding a coin or being given a coin was the starting point.

National Coin Week was celebrated with a display at Great Western Savings and Loan. To attract more junior members, each is awarded an Indian Head cent for a Show & Tell exhibit.

A BIG HAND FOR ERNIE...

The *Fairfield Coin Club* re-elected its 1992 officers for another term. Officers are MICHAEL TURRINI, President; CRAIG BLACKWOOD, Vice-President; JOSEPH BLEAU, Treasurer; and JAN HENKE, Secretary. The Club also celebrated its 20th anniversary on March 24th with a special dinner meeting and a commemorative silver medal.

ERNIE DRAKE was honored as the Club's newest life member with Life membership number 012. Congratulations!

WHERE ARE YOU???

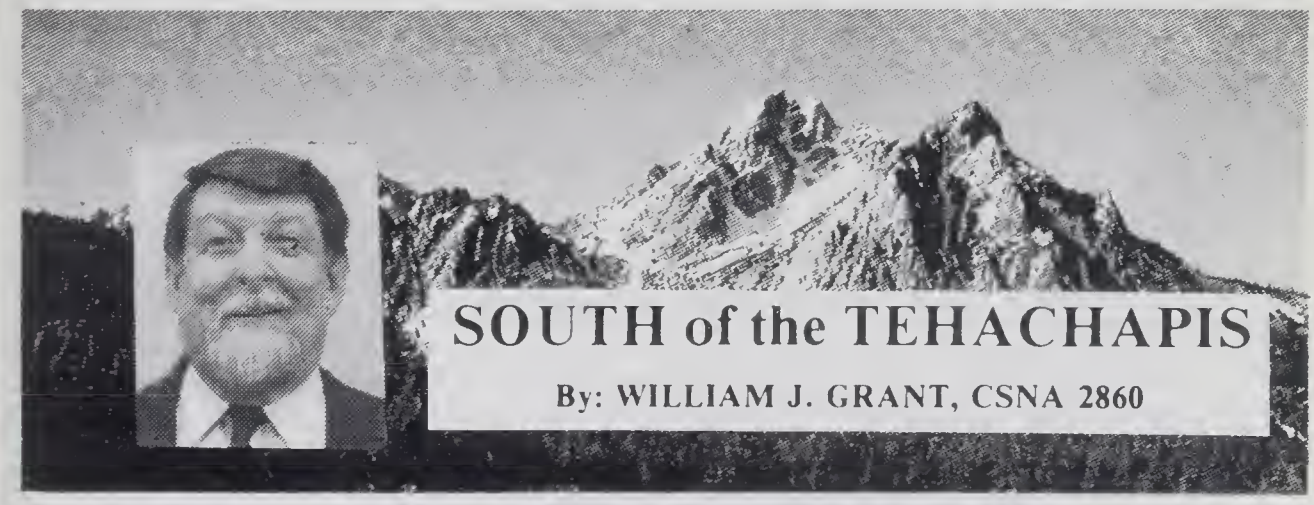
Diablo Numismatic Society installed as new 1993 officers, President MICHAEL TURRINI, Vice-President KARL MANTHEI, Treasurer BILL HEWLETT, and Secretary STEWART HUCKABY. Recent speakers have been HANS HANSON on Paper Money in February and Other Hobbies in March.

The Club now meets on the third Thursday of every month at Civic Bank of Commerce, 1940 Tice Valley Boulevard, Walnut Creek, CA. Members and guests are welcome.

CONGRATULATIONS NORM!!!

Delta Coin Club honored founder/organizer, NORM PRUITT at its Annual Dinner. He was pictured on the club's 1992 silver medal. Re-elected officers President DON KENDRICK, Vice-President KEVIN MALOY, Recording Secretary EDWARD CARMAN, Corresponding Secretary SYD KASS, and Treasurer LORIS ENZMINGER were also honored.

The Annual Dinner is so well known that they even had invited guests from North Dakota!!



We lost a good friend and numismatist when John Lenker died on April 14th. John was a true collector right up to the time of his death. It didn't matter where a coin show or convention was being held, John was there going through the dealers like Sherman did in Georgia.

I can't help remembering the great job he did (with the help of Kay and son Peter) at the 83rd CSNA Convention & Coin Show held in Ontario in November, 1988. As General Chairman, I asked John if he would display some of his primitive money

collection. Exhibit he did, he had over 40 feet on display; Yap stone money, beads, drums spears, shells etc. everywhere. It took hours putting the exhibit up and taking down and never a complaint. It had to be one of the finest, if not the best numismatics exhibit ever assembled in Southern California.

I figure John had forgotten more numismatics then I would ever know. The cliché "he will be missed" is truly an understatement.

REDLANDS MOURNS THE PASSING OF JOHN LENKER

Redlands Coin Club founder John E. Lenker passed away on April 14, 1993 of cancer. John worked for the Redlands Club right up to the time of his death. One of the nicest numismatists I ever knew. Our sympathy to Kay, John, Peter and Mary Frances.

The Lincoln Shrine was the place to be in February for the Redlands CC. Curator Don McCue and Dr. Larry Burgess hosted the evening. They gave a guided tour of the shrine and an update of current activities and acquisitions from the past year. Angus Bruce presented a slide program in March of the "History and Collecting of Checks."

LITTON COIN CLUB

"Coin Grading" was the program in February. March a slide program on "Hard Times Tokens" was presented. Both program were presented by Phil Iversen. April's program was by Alex Shagin who talked about medals he has designed.

BAY CITIES BEGINS 49TH YEAR

Bay Cities Coin Club celebrated there 49th Anniversary on April 13th with a no host dinner at Bob's Big Boy in Santa Monica. I bet they will have a BIG bash next year - 50 years. WOW.

TALKS IN SANTA BARBARA

Nathan Culbertson and Stan Griffith continued their Hard Times Tokens talk in February, with special emphasis on the store card varieties. Modern World Trade Dollars was the program for March. In April an ANA slide program on "Colonial Coins of America" was heard. . . Nominations and election of Board members took place at the April meeting.

AUTHOR MEL WACKS SPEAKS AT INSLA

Well known author Mel Wacks spoke on "Ancient Jewish Temple Tokens" at the April meeting. Mr. Wacks is very knowledgeable on both ancient and modern issues of Jewish numismatics. In February and March ANA slide programs were presented by Program Chairman Paul Borack.

A 1957 10 Agorots was donated by Murray Singer. The coin is to be included in the Type Set the Club is assembling....IGOMC is honoring Israel's 45th Anniversary by issuing Gold Proof, Silver Proof and Silver BU coins the theme "Israel, the Land of Tourism." In addition, a PNC containing a BU Silver coin on Land of Tourism is also to be released in 1993. Long time and loyal supporter member Milton Feir passed away recently. Our condolences to the Feir family.

ORANGE COUNTY CLUB HEARS WOW

Club Treasurer William O. Wisslead narrated "Crowns of the World" parts one and two during February and March. "Egypt" was the program for April as guest speaker Robert Smythe presented the program. April was the last call for 1993 dues.

SUPER COIN-O-RAMA IN COVINA

Covina Coin Club celebrated their 32nd Annual Coin-O-Rama/Collectibles show on April 25th. And from all accounts it was a successful one. It was good to see Mabe Stone out again. The Awards Vinner took place on Thursday following the show at Perrys Smorgy. Speaking to the club in February was Mr. Ralph Marx, his program

was on the beginning of the Travelers Checks. In March Dr. Shelby Wagner told that story of Soapy Smith in Seagway, Alaska. Richard Basler was the guest speaker in April with a talk on "Short Lived Emperor of Rome."

WEST VALLEY HONOR MEMBERS

At the January installation meeting three members were rewarded for service to the club. So honored were Jay Darte, The Russ Snyder Exhibit Award; Jay Morris. the George Price Service Award and to Dillon Frost the Ruth Johnson Literary Award. Congratulations to all speakers during the period were Jerry Yahalom, his topic "Coins of Israel." Phil Iversen spoke of "Hard Times Tokens." In April Dillon Frost spoke on "Indo-Greek Kingdom's Coinage."

THE WIRE EDGE HAS A NEW EDITOR

After 18 years as editor of the Los Angeles Coin Club's *THE WIRE EDGE*, Paul Borack has relinquished his position to new editor Ed Casaus. A tough act to follow Ed. In March "Other Hobbies" was the program, club members talked about their interest in areas other then numismatics. Murray Singer was the program in April as he became Dr. I.Q., once again answering those hard questions.

CULVER CITY MEMBERS ENJOY AWARDS

NASC President and Editor of Culver City Coin Club *THE FOUR C JOURNAL* was pleased to accept his Second place award for the club bulletin during 1992. In addition, seven year old Zeve Akerling was awarded the Corky Ayers Memorial Junior Achievement Award for 1992. Both awards were presented at the NASC Awards Luncheon in January. Congratulations guys.

Dr. Sol Taylor was the guest speaker at the February meeting, his topic "Lincoln Cents." "Maundy Coinage and Celebration" was the topic of John Gork's talk in April.

SCANS HEARS ADAMS TALK

Lawrence Adams was the guest speaker at the April meeting. He presented a slide program on Gold and Electrum coinage of the Punic Empire. Back in February a slide program on Roman Emperors was presented. There was no meeting in March.

LONG BEACH CLUB GAINS 39 NEW MEMBERS

The Long Beach Coin Club ran a membership drive during 1992. President Arri Jacob signed up the most and the club gained a total of 39 new members. The club is going to conduct an Educational Seminar at the June 1993 Long Beach Numismatic, Philatelic and Baseball Card Exposition. Gwen Heistand and Charlotte Wogoman were recently honored by two Long Beach PTA's for outstanding service to children and youth. Well done and congratulations to both.

In February members saw the second half of a video on Anti Counterfeiting Measures regarding Paper Money. Ken Hunt showed slides of his adventures salvaging U. S. Coins of the late 1700's from the merchant freighter "Ontario." In April Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. presented a tour of the Denver Mint.

WHITTIER CLUB MISSING LIBRARY BOOKS

Its seems 27 books are missing from the club library. The honor system is not what it should be! Borrowers are asked to return the books so the club can decide what to do with the library, continue as is or dispose of the books.

Phil Chang took a trip to China, visited with relatives and related his experiences to the club in February. At the March meeting Jesse Ayala presented a slide program on "Hobo Nickels." April was "White Elephant Sale" with club members donating material for sale and all the proceeds going to the club treasury.

VERDUGO HILLS HOLDS SUCCESSFUL SHOW

Verdugo Hills Coin Club held its 28th Annual Coin Show on March 14th and a financial success it was. Many happy faces from the raffle. Two loyal club members passed away during the period: Kay Bassett and Roy Coleman. Our condolences to both families.

During February and March club members were treated to two mint tours. In February Richard Murachanian covered the Carson City Mint and in March Dennis Rocklein gave a special program on the San Francisco Mint. Dr. Sol Taylor spoke in April on the "Lincoln Cent."

THE DOWNEY NUMISMATISTS

Three great speakers spoke during this quarter. Dr. Sol Taylor attended the February meeting and talked about his favorite coin the "Lincoln Cents." Then off to New Zealand with Albertus who shared his adventures of New Zealand during a recent trip. William O. Wisslead (WOW) enlighted club members with "The Story of the Double Eagle" at the April meeting.

SUPER AUCTION IN FONTANA

The Super Coin Auction in March had 200 lots of great buys. Of the 200 lots 134 sold or approximately 67 per cent. A lot of good buys were missed.

At the February meet club members climbed "Mount Rushmore" with Ethel Lenhert as she presented the history of the famous mountain. April the club traveled with sculptor Gilroy Roberts and the Franklin Mint film "Coins of the Virgin Islands" presented by Al Hall.

IF IT'S FEBRUARY IT MUST BE LINCOLN TIME

For many many years now Dr. Larry Burgess has been as faithful as Old Faithful itself to SBCCC during the month of February. Why, because that is Lincoln's birthday month and Dr. Burgess has been telling Lincoln stories for all that time. He presents a different and wonderful program of history and the life of our 16th president. To continue our presidential history Ethel Lenhert presented the "Four Faces of Freedom" program at the March meeting. She told the history behind this awesome monument. Another great job. And then in April that traveling man from Hemet, Angus Bruce presented a slide program on "The History and the Collecting of Checks." From the beginning to the present Angus had it all on film.

The best news of all is that Virginia Hall has come through her heart operation in good condition. Even with the cooking of husband Al. Norm Chrzanowski has volunteered to take over the Thanksgiving Basket program, and Terry Eshelman will be the new Banquet Chairman. Bill Grant will serve as Coin Show General Chairman following the January 1994 show.

UPLAND COIN CLUB

"The Rock" of Gibraltar was the program in February as past president Bill Grant told the history of Gibraltar through its coins and medals. In April Vice President Bill Wisslead presented a slide program "Crowns of the World, Part 1."

The Upland Coin Club meets on the Third Saturday of each month at 8:00 p.m. in the Magnolia Recreation Center, 651 West 15th Street in Upland.

HEMET CANCELS JANUARY MEETING

Because of a specially large memorial service at the First Presbyterian Church and short notice, the Hemet club had to cancel its January meeting. Most members got the word by phone, however, a few did not. The Hemet Mall sponsored a Community Bazaar, where local clubs could man tables during a two day event. The Hemet club took part by displaying coins, handing out club flyers and giving foreign coins to young children. Club members were there to answer questions by the passing public. What a great way to advertise the club.

At the February meeting Vice President Guy Mills conducted a written coin quiz that kept members on their toes.. A coin grading program conducted by Bob Montgomery, Clark Barton, Gene Zoval and Denver Smith was held in March. Grading Books, Red Books and magnifying glasses were the order of the day. Anti-counterfeit measures was the topic for April as Sheryl Troutman, Vice President at the American Savings Bank in Hemet spoke to members on the problem of counterfeiting.

MEANWHILE DOWN IN SAN DIEGO...

SAN DIEGO'S COINARAMA MOVES

SDCICNC has changed its location for the 1993 COINARAMA to the Town and Country Convention Center. After 26 years at the Scottish Rite Temple, COINARAMA had to move since the Temple eliminated COINARAMA from their planning calendar. Luckily theres no change in date. SDCICNC sponsored a bus so members could attend the CSNA's 25th Anniversary Educational Symposium. There were ten medal designs submitted for the 1993. COINARAMA medal. Chuck Luce's design of the 75th Anniversary of first Scheduled Air Mail Flight was the winner. Pappy Young's design was selected for the wooden money design. Members elected for the next term of office were: President, Chuck Luce; Vice President, Jack Hook; Treasurer, Matt Kokoszka; and Ginny Bourke as Secretary. Dorothy Baber installed the new officers at the February meeting.

SAN DIEGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY (SDNS) celebrated its 53rd Installation Dinner at the Sizzler Restaurant in El Cajon. Chuck Luce installed new President Ginny Bourke, Vice President Dorothy Baber and two board members, Jim Hunt and Roger Sullivan. Dan Harley was the guest speaker, his topic "The First Rocket Airmail." Member Barbara Smith passed away on February 28th. A good number of members participated in the bus trip to Fullerton to attend CSNA's 25th Anniversary Symposium.

Roger Sullivan spoke at the March meeting, "Love Tokens" was his subject. At the April meeting Harvey L. Rose presented a program on "What Numismatics Has Done for Me."

OCEANSIDE/CARLSBAD COIN CLUB installed its 1993 officer at their 38th Installation Dinner in January. Dorothy Baber installed Ed Wheeler as President; Art Ammon as 1st VP; Larry Hicks as 2nd VP; Dough Hasselo as Treasurer, and Matt Kokoszka as Secretary. Pappy Young conducts an educational class for juniors at each club meeting. Bill Fell presented Junior Achievement Awards to Stephanie Wheeler and David Richards. The Exhibitor's Award went to Jim Belcher, a Mexico two peso gold coin.

HEARTLAND COIN CLUB installed its new officers at the Soup Plantation. Installed were Ken Stempien as President; 1st VP, Chuck Luce; Treasurer, Joe Giuliano; Secretary, Dorothy Baber; and Corresponding Secretary, Joe Swinko. The 1993 medal design depicts the Giant Dipper roller coaster.

COINEERS COIN CLUB celebrated its 40th anniversary in January. During the meeting all juniors in attendance received a roll of wheat cents. The starting time for future club meetings has been changed to 7:15 p.m.

INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF SAN DIEGO installed its old officers as the new officers. At the installation dinner in January Joe Lang presented a program on "Russia and the Emerging Countries from Former Soviet Republics."

CHULA VISTA COIN CLUB installed its newly elected officers. Those installed were: President, Wayne Dickey; Vice President, Ted Koopman; Secretary, Elaine Schapiro; and Treasurer, Virginia Bourke. The club is once again holding its meetings at the Norman Center Senior Center.

CSNA 1993 MEDALS ORDER FORM

91st Convention (bicentennial of the cent) or 92nd Convention (see photo below)

91st 92nd

____ ____ Silver medal(s) @ $17.00 ea.....$ _____
(specify serial number(s) here _____)

____ ____ Golden bronze medal(s) @ $2.00 ea.....$ _____

____ ____ Oxidized bronze medal(s) @ $3.00 ea.....$ _____

____ ____ Three medal set(s) @ $20.00 ea.....$ _____
(specify serial number(s) here _____)

Postage & packaging @ $0.50 per medal and $1.00 per set.....$ _____

TOTAL.....$ _____

Name _____

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Make check payable to CSNA and mail to Joyce Kuntz, Medal Coordinator, 697 Scripps Dr., Claremont, CA 91711. Serial numbers available (91st): 54, 62, 72, 83, 97, 102, 108, 128, 134, 135, 144, 148, 151, 152, 153, 154; (92nd): 22, 42, 54, 62, 71, 72, 78, 83, 97, 102, 108, 128, 134, 135, 144, 148, 151, 152, 153, 154.

HISTORY OF THE CSNA MEDALLIONS

By Virginia Hall
Photos by William O. Wisslead

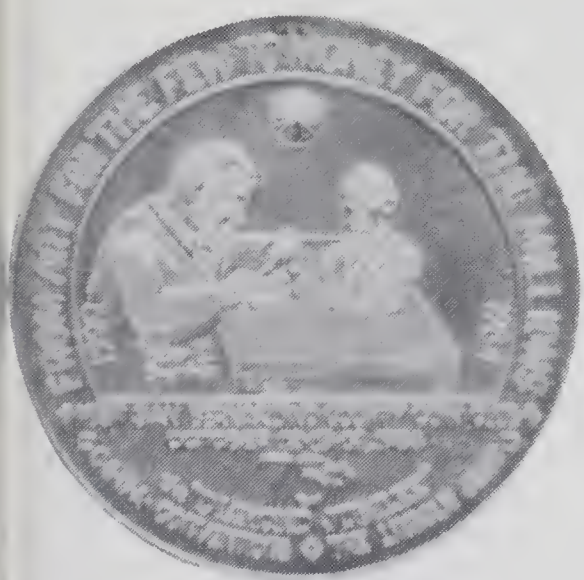
1984 -- SAN FRANCISCO

The 74th convention was held at the Meridian Hotel on May 3-6, 1984 due to the recent fire which burned out the Cathedral Hill Hotel. Mike Stanley served as the General Chairman.

The theme of the convention was "Eagles in Numismatics." General Chairman, Mike Stanley has a passion for eagles, hence the theme title. The medal, designed by G. Lee Kuntz, shows an eagle in flight. The host club was the San Francisco Coin Club.

Quantity struck:

2000 Golden Bronze
200 .999 Fine Silver



1984 -- ANAHEIM

The 75th convention was held at the Sheraton-Anaheim Hotel on October 12-14, 1984. The theme of the convention was "75th Anniversary of the Lincoln Cent." The device on the medal shows Victor D. Brenner at his work table sculptoring the Lincoln Cent from a bust of Lincoln seen on the table. The medal was designed by Bryan Burke, past president of both CSNA and SBCCC.

The regular convention silver medal was also available on a subscription basis with either a diamond in it or, in honor of the 40th anniversary of the U.S. Airforce, with a ruby implanted.

The General Chairman for this convention was Virginia Hall. The host was the San Bernardino County Coin Club.

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Corresponding Secretary's Report

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R-5575 DUPONT, SLOAN 256 S. Roberton Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90211
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R-5576 SILVA, STEPHEN 2064 Trafalgar Ave., Hayward, CA 94545
Sponsored by Virginia Hall

R-5577 JOHNSON, R.W. 14047-D Mango Dr., Del Mar, CA 92014
Sponsored by Virginia Hall

R-5578 HORN, KENNETH L. 3920 Leland St., San Diego, CA 92106
Sponsored by Virginia Hall

R-5579 WOODWARD, TERRY C. P.O. Box 355, Turlock, CA 95381
Sponsored by C.G. Colver

R-5580 AIKEN, TIMOTHY A. 175 Easy St., Mountain View, CA 94043
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R-5581 ALVA, ANTONIO B. 27475 Hesperian Blvd., Glen Oak Apt. #75, Hayward, CA 94545
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R-5582 ALVA, IMELDA 27475 Hesperian Blvd., Glen Oak Apt. #75, Hayward, CA 94545
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J-5583 LEE, RICHARD S. 7247 Crest Road, Palos Verdes, CA 90274
Sponsored by Virginia Hall

R-5584 ALFRED, S. DEAN P.O. Box 60091, Sunnyvale, CA 94088
Sponsored by Charles Colver

A-5585 SILVA, PATRICIA 2064 Trafalgar Ave., Hayward, CA 94545
Sponsored by Virginia Hall

DECEASED

L-27-2	MILLER, RONALD L.
L-1-21	LENKER, JOHN E.
R-5311	GARCIA, FELIX

RESIGNED

R-3811	MARSDEN, DOROTHY I.
R-2942	ANDERSON, RICHARD H., M.D.
R-3678	MARKE, MERLE
R-5238	LANG, LEE

REINSTATED

L-36-4	MILLARD, MICK

DISBANDED

C-2260	CALICO COIN CLUB

ADDRESS UNKNOWN--DROP

R-5341 GRAHAM, WALTER V.
R-5402 DIAMOND, RICHARD

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership Total January 30, 1992 1052
New Membership January 30, 1992 through April 28, 1993 11
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March, 1994..... 26th Annual Educational Symposium

OTHER

July 2-4, 1993 .....Greater Las Vegas Coin, Stamp & Sports Card Show
Sahara Hotel, 2535 S. Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV
Info: Bill Floto, 2013 E. Canosa Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89104 (702)-457-2190

July 10-11, 1993.....35th Annual Coinarama
San Diego County Interclub Numismatic Council
Town and Country Convention Center, Hotel Circle
Bourse: Kay Lenker, Box 6909, San Diego, CA 92166

July 11, 1993 ..... 2nd Sunday Stamp, Postcard, Paper & Exonumia Show
Days Inn, 91 Freeway at Raymond, 1500 S. Raymond Ave.
Info: E. Swonger, Box 847, Anaheim, CA 92815

July 17-18, 1993.....34th Annual Coin & Collectible Show
Santa Barbara Coin Club
Miramar Hotel Conv. Ctr., 1555 Jameson Ln., U.S. 101 at San Ysidro Rd.
Info: Ronald J. Gillio, 1013 State St., Santa Barbara (805)-963-1345

July 17-18, 1993.....Annual Show
Coos County Coin Club
Community Center, 2222 Broadway, North Bend, OR
Info: Sid Chapman, P.O. Box 177, Lakeside, OR (503)-759-3759

July 23-25, 1993..... Great Western States Collectibles Show
Conference Center, 255 S. Airport Blvd., South San Francisco, CA
Info: Lynn Woods, P.O. Box 1641, Cottonwood, CA 96022

July 31-August 1, 1993..... Coin & Stamp Expo
Pasadena Center, 300 Green St., Pasadena, CA
Info: Barbara & David Griffiths, P.O. Box 633, Sisters, OR 97759

July 31-August 2, 1993..... 8th Annual Show
Northwest Token & Medal Society
Motel Orleans, Wilsonville, OR
Info: Del Cushing, P.O. Box 88984, Seattle, WA 98188 (206)-244-1596

August 8, 1993.....2nd Sunday Stamp, Postcard, Paper & Exonumia Show
Days Inn, 91 Freeway at Raymond, 1500 S. Raymond Ave.
Info: E. Swonger, Box 847, Anaheim, CA 92815

August 15, 1993.....21st Annual Show
Fremont Coin Club
Elks Lodge, 38991 Farwell Dr., Fremont, CA
Info: Vince Lacariere, P.O. Box 1401, Fremont, CA 94538

August 29, 1993.....Bay Area Coin Show
San Francisco Coin Club & Alameda Coin Club
Bay Bridge Holiday Inn, 1800 Powell St. at I-80, Emeryville
Bourse: Tom Kelly, 3151 Diablo Ave., Hayward, CA 94545

September 19, 1993.....4th Annual Fairfield Coin & Collectibles Show
Fairfield Coin Club
Solano Community College, Bldg. 1400, Student Center
4000 Suisun Valley Rd., Suisun (Cordelia) off I-80 on Suisun Valley Rd. North
Bourse: Jan Henke, Box 944, Fairfield, CA 94533
Info: Stan Turrini, Box 4104, Vallejo, CA 94590

October 10, 1993.....26th Annual Coin-a-rama
Redwood Empire Coin Club, Inc.
Veterans Memorial Building, 1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa, CA
Info: Lorene Farnsworth, (707)-938-2349

October 16-17, 1993.....Annual Show
Delta Coin Club
Eagles' Hall, 1492 Bourbon St., Stockton, CA

October 30-31, 1993.....Coin Show
Sacramento Valley Coin Club Show
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